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MORE POWER PLANTS TO BEGIN OPERATION

TO PRODUCE 200 MILLION KILOWATT-HOURS PER YEAR -- Ljubljana Slovenski Porocevalec, 22 Aug 50

The hydroelectric power plant at Vinodol in Croatia, which will produce 200 million kilowatt-hours of power per year, is scheduled to begin operation on 31 December 1950.

The underground power plant in Triblje is under construction, while the 1,200-meter trench from Razomir to the power plant is 75 percent completed. The trench, which is 3 meters wide and has a slope of 32 percent, will hold 206 pipes, each 6 meters long and weighing 10,000 kilograms each; it will permit the passage of 15,000 liters of water per second. The inclined pipeline will reach a height of 700 meters. At the highest point of the line there will be a by-pass valve. From this valve, a 4,200-meter horizontal pipeline will lead to the "Bajer" Dam. One half of the pipeline has been completed thus far.

Lake Bajer will have a capacity of 1,200,000 cubic meters of water, Lake Lokve 27 million cubic meters, and Lake Kriz 7 million cubic meters. A special 3,550-meter tunnel will be dug connecting the three lakes. To complete the tunnel, about 1,000 meters more are scheduled to be constructed by the beginning of September 1951. Until that date, the power plant will use only the water of Lake Bajer. A dam is under construction near Lokve.

When the power plant is in full operation, it will operate 2,000 hours per year. The turbines will have capacity of 15,000 liters of water, and the total capacity of the generators will be 84,000 kilowatts. By the end of 1951 all three /sic/ three generators, each of which will have a capacity of 24,000 kilowatts, will be in operation. The power plant will exploit 100 million cubic liters of water per year.

The power produced will'be used for industry and for the electrification of the Rijeka-Zagren railroad line.

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FACTORY PRODUCES POWER PLANT EQUIPMENT -- Belgrade Borba, 16 Aug 50

Maribor, 15 August -- The "Franc Leskosek" Metal Construction Factory began to produce equipment for power plants last year. Among other things, it constructed a 120-meter-high pressure pipeline for the hydroelectric power plant at Moste. This year the factory is producing all the mechanical equipment for 23 hydroelectric power plants and two thermal power plants.

Recently the factory began to produce large cranes for hydroelectric power plants. Cranes with a capacity of over 150 tons were built for the plants at Vuzenica, Zvornik, and Medvode, while cranes with a capacity of 40 to 60 tons were built for all the other plants.

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